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COMMENTS:

Dear Examiner Pillai,

Please see the attached Response to Decision on Appeal.

Thank you.

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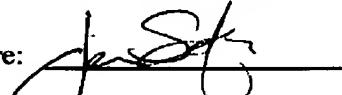
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RESPONSE TO DECISION ON APPEAL

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Appellant hereby timely responds, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §41.50(b), to the Decision on Appeal in the captioned case, mailed January 21, 2005, as Paper No. 19.

In the opinion of the Board, the following rejections of the claims were reversed:

claims 10-12 as anticipated under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) by Rhoads;

claims 13 and 26 as obvious under 35 U.S.C. 103 from Rhoads in view of Cannon;

claims 1-5, 14-19 and 22-25 as obvious under 35 U.S.C. 103 from Rhoads in view of Gennaro;

claims 8-9 and 20-21 as obvious under 35 U.S.C. 103 from Rhoads in view of Gennaro and Cannon.